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~~Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.116, Expedited Procedure~~
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PATENT
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0090/004001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Noboru NAKASHIMA
Application No. : 10/084,491
Filed : February 28, 2002
Title : SAFETY INDWELLING SYRINGE

Art Unit: 3763
Examiner: Ghafoorian, R.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2003, applicant hereby submits the enclosed papers including an Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for one (1) month to March 5, 2004, for filing a response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application.

No extension of time has been previously obtained for filing the response. Thus a fee of \$55.00 for an extension of one month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a) is required.

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The required fees are calculated below:

Total Claims	<u>15</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>0</u>	\$0.00
Independent	<u>3</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>0</u>	\$0.00


One Month's Extension of Time Fee \$55.00

TOTAL FEE DUE: \$55.00

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 19-2586, REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0090/004001. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAPER IS ENCLOSED. THIS IS A GENERAL AUTHORIZATION EXCLUDING ONLY PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 5, 2004


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